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Sir:

COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO APRIL 23, 2002 FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Communication is submitted in response to the April 23, 2002 Final Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the April 23, 2002 Final Office Action was originally due July 23, 2002. Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time for responding. The fee for a two-month extension is FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00). A check for this amount is enclosed herewith. A response is now due September 23, 2002, and accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.